

Chatham Township Environmental Commission
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Minutes of June 13, 2005 CTC Meeting

The meeting of the Chatham Township Environmental Commission convened at 7:45 p.m. on Monday, June 13, 2005 at the Township Municipal Building. In attendance were CTEC members D. Bibona, L. Caprioglio, S. Hoag, D. Stillinger, N. Hagner, Twp. Committee.

CTEC's Purpose (NJ40:56A, 1968): to undertake projects and make recommendations concerning the protection or use of natural resources, including water resources, located within or directly affecting Chatham Township.

Open Public Meetings Act Statement - The meeting schedule for 2005 was published in the Chatham Courier and Daily Record newspapers and posted on the main bulletin board at the Township municipal building. The public is cordially invited to attend all meetings and participate in projects.

Minutes

Ms. Hoag moved to accept the minutes from the May 9, 2005 meeting and Mr. Caprioglio seconded, with all in favor.

Remarks

ArcView 9.1 software received - available for use by any CTEC member.

Received and distributed Riverside plant inventory report.

Actions

Open Space Committee walked 4 properties.

Received report indicating types of vegetation & soil samples, pictures taken. Properties fairly clean. Very pleased with Jack Donahue, Ten Towns representative from Bernards Twp who help with assessment of properties. S. Hoag & N. Hagner reported a successful day.

SEAMLESS meeting on May 24 - discussion included State planning compared to Township planning. Report of meeting to be given to D. Stillinger. Next meeting June 28 - Deer Management. N. Hagner

ANJEC storm water display - first 2 weeks in July - Chatham Library - L. Tavtigian.

Proposed Tree Protection ordinance still being considered by Bill O'Connor. Currently there is no Tree Protection Committee. Commission discussed recommendations/revisions including - replacement and fee.

Discussion on use of recycled paper. Mr. Bibona had a sample of recycled paper along with assorted information on recycled paper. Committee agreed that recycled paper was of good quality and color. S. Hoag to research cost difference between regular and recycled paper. Possibly get town hall, schools, community to consider using recycled paper. Discussion and research to continue.

Mrs. Stillinger proposed forming a subcommittee for discussions implementing the Conservation Plan Element. N. Hagner, S. Hoag volunteered to join.

Reports

Mr. Caprioglio reported on Planning Board. Approval of repaving Hickory Square Parking lot which includes 2 stormceptors.

Conservation Element - modified and approved for public hearing.

Ms. Hoag reported on Open Space Committee. Committee walked properties. Report available.

Ms. Hagner nothing new to report from Township Committee.

GPS units grant received - 7 units to police department, 1 to Environmental/Open Space Commission to share. Available for committee member's use.

Mail

(various newsletters/announcements on top of filing cabinet in meeting room)

Notification dated May 23, 2005 that Texas Eastern is applying for NJDEP permits to allow maintenance activities in wetlands. The activities will include mowing and clearing, excavation for inspection, stream bank stabilization in eroded areas.

Other Business

There is no July Environmental Commission meeting; next meeting in August.

Recycled paper information from D. Bibona

By using 1,103 tons of recycled copy paper instead of virgin copy paper each year, a company would:

- Save over 5.6 billion BTUs of total energy, the amount of residential energy used annually by 54 households.
- Eliminate over 730,400 pounds of greenhouse gas emissions (CO2 equivalents), the amount released annually by 63 cars.
- Prevent more than 3.3 million gallons of wastewater, the amount released or discharged annually by 34 households.
- Eliminate over 371,800 pounds of solid waste, the

amount produced annually by over 87 households.

- Conserve over 1,145 tons of wood, over 7,940 typical trees.

The CTEC meeting was adjourned at 10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Scannelli/Recording Secretary